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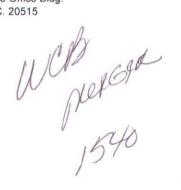
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September 13, 2010

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Walt Minnick Member of Congress 1517 Longworth House Office Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20515



Dear Chairman Genachowski:

Chairman Julius Genachowski

445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Federal Communications Commission

On behalf of the communities, citizens, businesses, health care providers and education systems of Idaho, we encourage you to expeditiously review and approve the proposed merger of CenturyLink and Qwest. The combination of Qwest with the additional resources and financial strength of CenturyLink will bring even greater benefits to our state.

As you know, our communications infrastructure is vitally important to Idaho. We are convinced that the combined leadership, knowledge and resources of CenturyLink and Qwest will create a stronger company – providing more choices for both residential and business customers, increasing network investment in both urban and rural areas, expanding broadband availability, and delivering new and enhanced products and services that neither company would be able to do on their own.

Already, the U.S. Department of Justice has cleared the merger, and it has been approved by public utility commissions in eight states and the District of Columbia.

Bringing CenturyLink and Qwest together will significantly benefit the citizens of our state and enhance its economy. With the Commission's timely approval, our constituents can begin realizing the benefits that this combined company will provide.

Sincerely,

MIKE CRAPO

United States Senator

Member of Congress

JAMES E. RISCH United States Senator

WALT MINNICK

Member of Congress



October 25, 2010

The Honorable Michael D. Crapo United States Senate 239 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Crapo:

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